UMGLASSIFIEU -

27 OCTOBER 1961

FROM: WATSON, BERLIN

TO: NORSTAD, SHAPE PARIS

PALMER, USEUCOM DES LOGES

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BLN 755

AFTER SOVIET TANKS HAD DEPARTED FRIEDRICHSTRASSE A SOVIET BUS WITH SOVIET SOLDIERS (WAR MEMORIAL GUARD RELILF) ENTERED WEST BERLIN UNMOLESTED.

AT 1655Z VOPO AT FRIEDRICHSTRASSE STATED CROSSING POINT WAS CLOSED TO ALL TRAFFIC INTO SOVIET SECTOR UNTIL THE SITUATION CLEARED UP; HOWEVER, AT 1658Z A US MILITARY SEDAN WITH TWO UNIFORMED OCCUPANTS ENTERED EAST BERLIN UNMOLESTED.

AT 1700Z TEN (10) SOVIET TANKS HAVE RETURNED TO FRIEDRICHSTRASSE AND ARE NOW IN STAGGERED COLUMN IN STREET JUST NORTH OF TRAFFIC MAZE.

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